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In re application of:
Schimmel et al DECISION ON PETITION
Serial No.: 08/994,479
Filed: December 19, 1997
For: PULVERULENT LAUNDRY AND CLEANING
DETERGENTS INGREDIENT

This is a decision on the petition received on January 30, 2001, to withdraw the holding of abandonment in the above-identified application.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 C.F.R. 1.113 in timely manner to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed March 30, 1998. Which set a shortened statutory period for reply of two (2) months. Accordingly, this application became abandoned May 31, 1998. The Notice of Abandonment was mailed March 31, 1999.

On January 30, 2001, the office received a communication from attorney of record. Enclosed was an acknowledgment that the attorney never received the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed March 30, 1998.

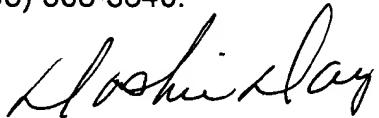
The evidence submitted is sufficient to establish that the petitioners never received the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed March 30, 1998.

The petition is hereby GRANTED.

A New Notice to File Missing Parts is enclosed with this Decision setting forth a new response period of two months from the date of the notice.

The office regrets any inconvenience this may have caused the client.

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